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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

19D/-02
(Munzrai)

File No. 110

Serial Nos. 1-23

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Month November 1906

SUBJECT.

File relating to The theft of Kalasa in the Sri Varatharaja Perumal Temple at Melkote. and passes orders about the recovery of the Value of the lost Kalasa from the Temple Servants and directing that the Temple Servants who were suspension may be reinstated.

PREVIOUS REFERENCES	LATER REFERENCES
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Mysore Department

Note for orders

Subject:- Theft of the Kalasa in the Sri Narasimhaswami Temple at Melkote:-

On October 1901, this office having received information of the theft of the Kalasa in the Sri Narasimhaswami Temple at Melkote*, a Docket- was written to the Dy Commr of the Mysore District-

*: Docket-no 589/150-92 dated 17th October 1901.

enquiring whether the information was true and if so, why the matter was not reported to Govt, as required in Government Circ no 354-63/16 dated 27th June 1892 (printed copy put up for reference). The Dy Commissioner was further requested to report the value of the property stolen and the steps taken in the matter. Flag A

2. No reply having been received from the Dy Commr on the subject, the Govt passed an order :x: Govt Proc no 948-9 dated 28th Dec 1901 Flag B

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in December 1901, requesting the Inspector-General of Police to give his personal attention to this matter and to take immediate and active steps for the detection of the crime.

In the order it was also remarked that the apparent indifference of the local authorities in the matter was extremely discreditable to all concerned.

3 In reply to the Board- noted in para the

Commissioner reported* that the delay was on the part of the Revenue and Police Officers in the Tenali-Rocks Sub-Division that he had strong suspicion against the marginally noted[x] 6 accused of the temple and that he had therefore placed them under suspension.

4 In reply to the order sent to the Superintendent[x] of Police (noted in para 2) that officer simply reports (in his

(Mr Rammujyer)

* In his letter no 212 dated 6th January 1902 Tenali C.

1 x Gangi
2 Narasimha
3 Krishna
4 Singripalu
5 Sheikh Ramaswamy Bhatta
6. Venkatapuriyangarisha Ramaswami Iyengar

x Mr B. K. Venkata Varadayya

his letter no $\frac{3878}{287}$ dated

10th February 1902) to the

Dy Comm's letter no 212 dated

6th February 1902, referred

to above.

5- In continuation of

the letter noted in para 3,

the Dy. Commr has submitted

a second letter (no C A

dated 24th February 1902)

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stating that a perusal

of the various records

bearing on the subject

gave rise to a strong

suspicion against

Parishwad Shamanna

Shanbhogue Lakshmi nara-

-rasimmiah and

and Karl Cunningham the inspector,
heard the decision and Sgt Smith and
Shannon Ross suspended
them in anticipation of
sanction but they were
subsequently released from
suspension by the Sub-Div
Officer upon investigation
enquiry and that he
(the Sgt Concerned) himself
therefore directed the
Sub-Div Officer to again
place the 3 - accused
responsible to abstain under
suspension.

6 The Charge was committed
on the 3rd August 1901
and it is nearly 9½ months
ago it took place - The

The Sub-Div Officer, in
his letter no 5-57 dated
16th February 1902, to the
Dy Commr, states that-
the Kalasa which was of copper with a coating of gold was valued at
Rs 15-10-0 as entered in
the Temple Register, and that-
there being not much prospect-
of the lost articles being
recovered, he had issued
orders to the Amildar
to recognize the temple servants
to make good the value
thereof, in pursuance of
the standing orders on
the subject-

2 In explanation of the
question as to why the Supt-

X Printed copy put-
up- no 51-60 dated
Aug 26-92

3rd November 1892

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was not immediately
reported to Govt, the
Sub-Dn Officer says that,
as soon as the theft took
place on the 2nd August 1904,
he received a report from
the Dy Collector on the 5th
of the same month, which was that it
was submitted to the Dy
Commr on the 9th and
that therefore the omission
was on the part of the Distt
Office -

8 Now the points for orders
are: —

i. About the accused
who are under suspension;

ii About the recovery
of the value of the stolen

stolen property from the Temple servants;
& iii Amend the replacement of the Kalasa by having a new one prepared of Copper at least.

Submitted

16/5/02

Ps. 9. The Inspector-General of Police in his latest letter no 5483/380 dated 4th June 1902, states that the Supt has not yet been detailed, that it is believed that some of the temple servants removed the Kalasa and that the Dy Commr has suspended some of them -

10. He has sent a copy of the Sub-Divisional Officer's

Memo on the subject-

-Submitted

Ld
17/6/02

An estimate of the
Cost of replacing the Kalewa
Ghat be submitted. The
question of preparing
culpability or otherwise in the matter.
the breach and loss of the
temple steamer, &c, &c
under suspension. Ghat I
also be asked &c.

Ld,
25.6.02

Subm
Note Continued :—

11. The Dy Commissioner was accordingly requested to submit an Estimate for preparing a new Kalewa ghat for the temple, as well as the cost of fixing it. He was also requested to report upon the culpability or otherwise in the matter of the temple servants

Ghat-

DKit No 2100 dated

27th June 1902.

Docket no 27 dated
2nd August 1902.

Head were under suspension.

12. With reference to the above, the Dy Commissioner ~~reported that he had~~ submitted an Estimate for Rs 449 for preparing and fixing a new Kabusa and stated that, as regards the culpability or otherwise of the suspended Servants, a report had been called for from the Sub-Dy Opsm of French Rocks.

13. Several petitions had in this office been received from the Servants that were under suspension, were since also forwarded to the Dy Commissioner, for submission of the report at an early date -

14 In reply the Sub- in

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in his present communi-
-cation that every endeavour
was made to detect the
thief, but that it was
proved fruitless, and
that the temple servants
do not seem to have had
a hand in this - He further
thinks that the matter
long period of suspension
which the temple servants
have suffered, is a sufficient
punishment for their
carelessness. In these
circumstances he requests
that the Govt may be
pleased to order their
reinstatement. The
Dy Amildar and the
Sub-Division Officer
are also of the same
opinion -
Submitted
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No 8 dated 10th
July 1903.
Hy H.

Get further info as to the
cost of making a breach
how much has been taken
by the Brahmin dasi of the
Varuvath Mr [illegible]
2877
He

Subd to the Dewan

The further information called for from the Dy Comr in docket No. 380/150-92 dated 5th August 1903, has not yet been received It relates however to what should be done by way of replacing the "Kalasa" and recovering funds from the servants for making a new Kalasa, and those points may be disposed of later on after receipt of the Dy Comrs reply.

In the meantime I am of humble opinion that the large* number of servants who were placed under suspension by the late Dy Comr (Mr Ramanujachar) nearly two years ago, may now be restored to their appointments. All present

* 9 in number

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Deputy Commissioner, Wt.
Kantara Hrs, recommends
that, all efforts for recovering
the lost Kalasa having
proved futile.

A draft order is
submitted for approval.

22/8/03

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24.8.03

Draft appd by the Diwan
Issue
Note continued:— 28/8/03
Orders declining the re instatement of the temple servants were issued in. Govt Ors: Rs 535-6 d: 29/7/03.
(Note Continued)

The Estimate for Rs 449/-
received from the Dy: Commr.
having been found to be rather
large, it was returned and
he was asked to submit a
revised one ~~and he was also~~ enquiring at the same time
~~asked to report~~ why in the place
of a copper Kalasa, gilt with
gold brass Kalsa ~~came~~ could
~~not~~ be substituted. In reply
the D.C. states that it is not
hoped to get a brass Kalasa
& submits a revised Estimate
for Rs 203-2-
And as reg the recovery

of the value of the lost Kalasa from the temple servants
The Dy: Commr. reports that it will be equitable if only Rs 15-10-0 the value of the lost Kalasa is recovered with he however solicits instructions as to whether only a sum of Rs 15-10-0 is to be recovered or a sum of Rs 203-2-0 the estimated cost of the new Kalasa. and whether the recovery should be made from all the temple servants including the Peishkar.

133-2-0 cost of Kalasa
70-0-0 cost of ivory Prathishte

A petition from the residents of Melkote was received stating that they would raise subscriptions to meet the cost of the gold needed for the new Kalasa. This was forwarded by the Dy: Commr and he reports that the offer of the petitioners may be declined with thanks as an estimate for a gilded Kalasa is before Govt.

No 318 d/23/3/05

Submitted for orders

18/4/05

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Muzrai Secretary's remarks:-

Considering that this important temple has been without a Kalasa for some years past, I think orders may be issued at once for providing a new one, the estimate for Rs.203-2-0 submitted therefor being sanctioned. The proposal is to utilize for the purpose a disused Kalasa of copper, gilt partly with gold, which is already in existence in the Melkote temple, after repairing and gilding the portion which has not been already gilt. The cost of Rs. 203-2-0, which includes a sum of Rs. 70 for Pratishta and other purposes, is not excessive.

As regards the recovery of the cost of the lost Kalasa from the temple servants, the estimate of Rs.15-10-0 given by the Deputy Commissioner cannot, in my humble opinion, be a correct one, considering that the lost Kalasa was one of copper gilt with gold. Further, I think the Government

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are entitled to recover the whole cost of substituting a new Kalasa viz, Rs.203-2-0 . I think orders may be issued for the recovery of this amount from all the servants of the Sri Narasimha swami temple including the Peshkar, in accordance with the Rule in force in the Muzrai Department.

The servants who were suspended in connection with this case and who did not receive their pay for a period of 2 years may be excluded from this recovery of the cost.

Submitted to the Dewan thro' the 2nd Councillor

T Ananta Sama Rao

1st Septr.1905.

The servants who were suspended from duty at the time the Kalasa was placed under suspension for 2 years, and those who have since left the amount due

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not come to the early
of a new Railway, the
Railway may be
reconsidered from all
the other elements.
If suspicion had
not attached itself
to some of the men
there could be no objection
to have the railway
establishment-table
for the town; but
this the writer is
different.
I do not understand
why the officers of the
town people by
their interception
for suspension my

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Now Kalasa was erected in the case of religious institutions there seems to be no objection to accept subscriptions which the people may voluntarily give among them.

4/9/05

Read

4/9/05

Referring to the first part of the Councillor's remarks, I beg to say that the D/Comr reports that the amount saved by the suspension of certain suspected servants was all spent in paying the substitutes appointed. (vide para 1 of the D/Comrs No. 317 d: 23rd March 1905

On the second point I beg to say that the offer made by the residents of Malkote that they will get a new Kalasa made from their own funds does not appear to have been seriously made. Their petition is worded in a spirit of complaint.

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they say that such an important institution should have a Kalasa gilt with gold, that it is the duty of the Govt to have such a Kalasa made, and that if Govt will not do this, the Petrs will get one made at their own cost.

Considering that the temple deserves to have a gold gilt Kalasa and the fact that the temple has funds at its disposal, I think the Kalasa may be made from temple funds as already recommended.

Rr. subd to the 2nd/7/11 — C Ananda Rama Rao 7/9/05

Recd 7.9.05.

8/9/05

Subd to the Diwan for orders on the two points referred to in pages 16 & 17 of this Note.

8/9/05

10.9.05 Dept Secl 8577 I agree with the substitution of the new Kalasa & with incurring of cost thereon. But the recovery from servants must be of the value of the Kalasam lost. If not valued properly

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Note continued.

Enquiry was made of the Deputy Commissioner as directed above, and he was requested to submit a statement of the amounts proposed to be recovered from each of the temple servants including the Peshkar, but excluding the 9 servants who had been placed under suspension in connection with the loss of the temple Kalasa in view to make up for the loss sustained by the temple.

In reply, the Deputy Commissioner reports that the value of the lost Kalasa has been estimated in the Jhadti Patti of the Institution at Rs 215. 15. 4; Rs 15-10-0, being the value of the copper Kalasa and Rs 200. 5. 4 of ~~gilt~~ gold gilt and also submits a statement as called for above. The old Peshkar then in the temple being dead, it is reported that his name has not been included

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and that the present Peishkar was not then in office in the Statement, the amounts proposed to be recovered from each of the other temple servants have been fixed at the uniform rate of Rs 6-8-8½ for every Rupee of pay of the each of the servants concerned.

Submitted with a draft.

10/10/06

Note continued.

In the above draft, the Deputy Commissioner was requested to report why the names of some temple servants who were dead were included in the statement of the amounts proposed to be recovered to make up for the loss of the Halasa sustained by the Sri Yoga Narasimhaswami temple at Melkote, ~~while the name of the Peishkar who was in the temple at the time the theft took place was omitted in the said statement.~~

The Deputy Commissioner now reports

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that the three temple servants referred to were living at the time of the theft of the Kalasa and were attending to their duties.

The three servants referred to are (1) Vedaparayanada Vedantayya (2) Vedaparayanada Kaveri Krishnayya & (3) Adiga Srinarayanayya

~~Submitted~~ The original proposal was to recover Rs 215-15-4 from 33 persons at Rs 6-8-8½ from each. Now that 3 of them are reported to have since died, the total amount will have either to be recovered from 30 persons or the amounts due by the deceased viz. Rs 21-4-4 in all will have to be struck off the accounts.

Submitted

14/9/06

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The amounts due from the three deceased persons may be struck off and the balance recovered, as recommended by the Dy Comr, from the other servants at Rs 6-8-8½ per every Rupee of pay.

The Village servants are a Trade set up, and hereditary, maintenance.

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Subd to the 24/8/11

Thanks Samba Rao
31/10/06

608/31.10.06 Approved. The recovery should have been made long ago. The thefts took place in 1901. The Peshkar & 3 servants are due Rs 6.8.8½ per man and not for every rupee of pay as above stated.

31/10/06

"Per Rupee" is correct. Issue the
26/11/06

draft roughly
31/10/06

MGCPB—3,500—15-10-04.

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore (Muzarayi),—dated 3rd November 1892.

READ :—

Letter No 812—2, dated 14th February 1891, from the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, reporting that a theft was committed in the temple of Champakadhamaswami at Bannerghatta, Anekal Taluk, on the night of the 18th January 1891, that the value of the articles etc., lost amounted to Rs. 40 and that under the spirit of the previous Government orders on the subject, he ordered the recovery of the amount from Ramachari, Archik of the temple, who had the sole charge of the property belonging to the Institution.

READ AGAIN :—

The Government order No. 9533—M. 310, dated 4th December 1891, directing the recovery of the value of the property lost from the Archik.

READ :—

Appeal Petitions Nos. 2998 and 685, dated respectively 15th January and 2nd June 1892, from Ramachari, Archik of the aforesaid temple, representing that the property referred to was lost in the temple owing to the commission of burglary therein, he was not therefore responsible for the loss; that it is extremely hard that he should be called upon to make good the loss; and praying that the order of the Deputy Commissioner may be cancelled.

READ ALSO :—

The following Memo, dated 14th October 1892, by the Muzarayi Superintendent, citing previous rulings on the subject :—

MEMO.

The following is the collection of authorities on the subject of the responsibility of the temple servants in regard to the loss of property occurring in temples :—

In 1865 jewellery valued Rs. 3,188 was lost in the temple at Nanjangud under circumstances indicating that it had been stolen; the suspected persons were placed before a Magistrate for trial, but owing to the defect in the evidence, the case fell through and the offenders were released, yet the then Superintendent of Ashtagram Division, Col. Elliot, in accordance with the ancient usage in the Province, directed the recovery of the value of the property from the temple servants according to the extent of their responsibility. This order of the Superintendent was upheld by Mr. Bowring, the then Chief Commissioner—*Vide* Chief Commissioner's letter No. 1234-37, dated 28th June 1866, and also Col. Elliot's letter on the subject attached to it."

ii. In the Agastheswara Temple in the late Talkad Taluk, a series of thefts had occurred. In all these cases the late Chief Commissioner held that the temple servants should be held responsible for the loss of the property and directed its value being recovered from them rateably. In this order also the long existing usage is cited as an authorty for the order—*Vide* late Chief Chmmissioner's Proceedings No. 682—66, dated 28th May 1879.

iii. In 1866 a few jewels were stolen from the temple of Narasimhaswami at Sreerangapatam and their value was, under the orders of the Amildar and the Sub-Division Officer, recovered from the temple servants and the Dewan confirmed the order of the local officers in the matter—*Vide* Proceedings of the Dewan No. 7346-432, dated 13th September 1890.

No. 51-60—MUZ. F. 26-92, DATED BANGALORE, 3RD NOVEMBER 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—The responsibility of temple officials to make good the loss of temple property is, of course, not a criminal one, but arises out of a rule of the Muzarayi Department which has long been in force. It is under existing circumstances a well recognized condition of temple service. The Government, therefore, consider it would be highly inexpedient to relax the rule in question on the ground of individual hardship.

2. As ordered already in Government Proceedings No. 9533-310, dated 4th December 1891, the sum of Rs. 40, being the value of the jewels lost, should be recovered from Archik Ramachari and credited to the temple Funds.

A. SREENIVASSACHARLU,
Secretary.

To—The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District,
(returning the Vernacular papers).
The Deputy Commissioners of other districts and
Palace Controller, Mysore, for information and guidance.
The Comptroller to the Government of Mysore.

1892

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

MUZARAYI

PROCEEDINGS

Dated 3rd November 1892

No. 51-60 / Muz. F. 26-92

Directing the recovery of Rs. 40, the value of jewels lost in the Bannerghatta temple from the Archik thereof.

MGOPE—120—25-1-02.

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, (Muzarayi),—dated 27th June 1892.

No. 354-63—16, DATED CAMP MYSORE, 27TH JUNE 1892.

ORDER.—The Government observe that cases of theft in the Muzarayi temples are not regularly reported to them as per instructions laid down in the late Chief Commissioner's Proceedings No. 5210—59, dated 16th October 1874.

2. They therefore direct that, in future, whenever thefts are committed in temples and other Muzarayi Institutions immediate report will be submitted to the Government in the Muzarayi Department.

A. SRINIVASACHARLU,
Secretary.

To—The Deputy Commissioners of Districts
" Palace Controller, Mysore.
" Town Magistrate, Mysore.

1892.

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE.

MUZARAYI

PROCEEDINGS

Dated Camp Mysore, 27th June 1892.

No $\frac{354-63}{16}$

Directing that whenever thefts are committed in temples and other Muzarayi Institutions, immediate report will be submitted to Government in the Muzarayi Department.

Government Branch Press, Mysore—1-7-92—150.

MUZRAI

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From

The Dy Secretary

To

Muzrai Department

The Dy Commr

Dated 17 Mysore Dt

Despatched 17th October 1901

Received

General No. 589

Muzrai F. No. 150-92

Enclosure No.

It has been brought to the notice of Government that a theft was committed of the Kalasa of the Sri Narasimhaswamy Temple at Melkote a few months ago

The Dy. Commissioner is requested to report if it is a fact, and if so why the matter was not immediately reported to Government as

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required

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No 948-97
Muz F 150-92
28-12-01

Order:- Muzrai.

It recently came to the notice of Govt. in the Muzrai Dept. that the Kalasa of the Sri Narasimha Swami Temple at Melkote was removed by stealth some months ago Under the terms of Govt Pro. No. 354-63 dated 27th June 1892, an immediate report of the occurrence ought to have been submitted to Govt., but this was not done. In this office docket No. 589 Muz.150-92 dated 17th October 1901 Govt. requested the Dy. Comr. to submit a report as to the particulars of the theft, the value of the property stolen, and the steps taken towards detection. No reply having yet been received, the Dy. Comr. is again requested to submit the report called for.

The perpetration of such a

daring theft in a Muzrai Institution of great sanctity and of such recent and the apparent indifference of the local authorities in the matter are extremely discreditable to all concerned. It is impossible to conceive that an article of such bulk as the "Kalasa" could have been removed without the knowledge of the temple servants and effectually concealed for such a length of time. The Inspector General of Police is requested to give his personal attention to this matter, and to take immediate and active steps for the detection of the crime , and for bringing the offenders to justice.

Dy. Secty.

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To

Deputy Commissioner Mysore District.

" Inspector General of Police.

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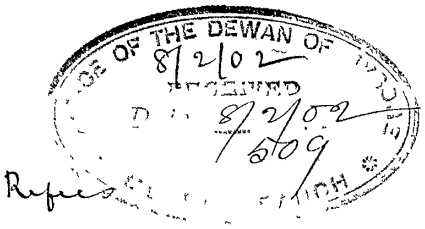


FROM H. Ramanujiengar Esqre
offg Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District

To L. Anantasami Row Esqre B.A
Deputy Secretary to the Govt
of Mysore
Murzai Depte

Dated 6th January 1902
Despatched
Received

General No. 212
No.

Enclosure No.

Submitted for orders

8/2/02

Sir,

With reference to your docket No. 589 of the 17th October 1901 and the Proceedings of Government, no 948-9 dated the 28th December last, regarding the theft of a "Kalasa" of the Sri Narasimhaswami temple in Melkote, I have the honor to state that on the 12th of August last the Sub Division officer, French Rocks, sent up a report from the Deputy Amildar to the effect that a copper "Kalasa" which was on the "Vimana" of the temple had been stolen on the night of the 3rd idem.

The said report having been

found meagre, a further report was called for on the 16th August 1901, with a request that every possible endeavour should be made to find out the thief or thieves as well as the stolen property; but up to date no reply has been received from the Sub Division officer.

On receipt of your docket under reply, a copy of the docket was forwarded to the Sub Division officer on the 21st October 1901 for an early report, but no report has as yet been received.

Again, on receipt of the Proceedings of Government above referred to, a copy of the Proceedings was sent to the Sub Division officer on the 4th January last, with a request that he would report by return post, what he had taken in the matter, and even that has elicited no answer although more than a month has since elapsed.

I regret to have to observe that the whole thing seems to have been viewed by the Revenue and the Police officers in the Sub Division with apathy and indifference and there has been an utter want of earnestness on the part of the local officers even after the orders of Government were communicated to them.

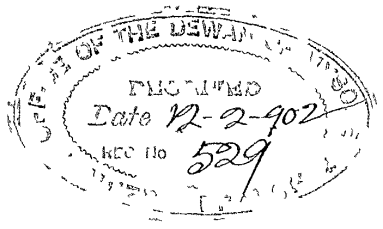
I had the Police Special diaries in this case sent for perusal of these diaries gives rise to a strong suspicion that the temple servants named in the margin who were, or ought to have been, on duty in the temple on the night of the theft, are parties to the theft; and that (seeing that the Kalasa was worth only Rs 15/-) their object was not so much to gain any pecuniary benefit for themselves, but to bring Peshkar Thirumalachar into

1. Jogi
2. Narasimha
3. Krishna
4. Singri Bala
5. Archak Ramaswami Bhatta
6. Vedaparayanada Rama Swami Iyengar.

trouble, or, at all events, to bring his manage-
ment of the temple affairs into discredit.

I have accordingly ordered the suspension
of the said servants, and am hopeful that
this measure will soon bring to light who
the thief or thieves are, and where the
stolen property is hidden.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient
A Ramaya
Deputy Commissioner
Mysore.



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FROM

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL
OF POLICE IN MYSORE.

To Deputy
THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF MYSORE,
GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPTS.

Dated 10 "
Despatched 11th February 1902
Received
General No. 3878
No. 287
Enclosure No.

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Stating that the result of action taken in the Kalasa theft case was embodied in the Kampor Deputy Commissioner's No. 212 dated 6th July 1902

OFFICE OF THE

INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE.

No. 3878/287 Enc.

DATED Camp Chamarajendra 10th/11 February 1902

FROM

B. K. Venkatarama Iyengar Esqr.
Offg THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE.

To L. Srinivasa Rao Esqr B A
Deputy THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF MYSORE,
in the GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.

Sir,

I beg to state that the result of the action taken on what was said to me about the theft of the "Kalasa" of the Melkote temple, in letter No 212 of the 6th February '902 from the Deputy Commissioner of Mysore.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
B. K. Venkatarama Iyengar
Offg Inspector General of Police

No 557
Arch

Sub Division Office
Aruna Rocks
Dated the 14/16 February 1902

From N. Venkata Rao Esq^r
Sub Division Officer
Aruna Rocks

To,
K. Ramanujacharyar Esq^r
Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District

Sir,

With reference to Government Proceedings No 589/150-92 and 948-9 dated 17th October and 28 December 1901, regarding the theft of Kalasa of Sri Narasimha-Swamy temple at Melkote, I have the honour to State as follows:-

The theft occurred on the night of the 3^d August last, the matter having been reported to the Sub Division officer by the Deputy-Amildar of Aruna Rocks Sub Taluk on the 5^th idem. This report of the Deputy-Amildar was submitted to the Deputy-Commissioner's office with No 269 dated 9^th August from this office. The reply received (Memo No 99 dated 12^th August) is to the effect

that every endeavour should be made to detect the theft and that he should report the investigation has been taken up both by the Police and by the Deputy Commissioner of Kanchanaburi Area. The Deputy Commissioner's report no 34 dated 14.8.01 showed that the theft could not have been committed by any outsider and there were reasons to suspect the conduct of the watchers and further the Circuit Commissioner Bidhee and Vidhyaprayoon Commissioner were also to blame, and he recommended that the Deputy Auditor all these persons were ordered to be placed under suspension pending detection of the case.

The case has not yet been detected and there is reason to think that the theft is a premeditated act of some of the temple servants alone and of strangers the others.

The Kalasa which has been lost, is reported to have been one of copper with a coating of gold, weighing in an aggregate 1¼ mounds and valued at Rs 15-10-0 as entered in the temple books.

Seeing that there is not much prospect of the lost article being recovered, the temple servants have to be required to make good the value and on this point orders were signed to the Guildsar so long ago as 5th November last. Further steps in this matter will now be taken.

It will be seen from the foregoing statement of facts that prompt and energetic action has been taken in the matter of the investigation called for by the circumstances of the case. Endeavours were made in the Police Department also to detect the culprits though without success so far.

In regards the enquiry to report the theft to Government immediately after its occurrence, it seems to me that the point is one for explanation by the District Officer Government Proceedings No 3543-63-16 dated 27th June 1892 which lay down that reports of thefts should be submitted, are based on the late Chief Commissioner's Proceedings No 5210-59 dated 16th October 1874, which would seem to refer only to robberies of valuables. It is possible that as in this ca-

the value of the article lost was comparatively small it was supposed that the Government order in question did not apply to it.

In conclusion I beg to enclose for ready reference the Kanarese correspondence which has taken place on this subject between the Taluk and this office and the District office, and the same may be returned when no longer required

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/Sd/ N. Venkata Rao

Sub Division Officer

French Rocks

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Asst Deputy Commissioner

Mysore Dist

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1901-902.

From M Kamaraugaya Esq
~~The~~ Deputy Commissioner of
the Mysore District

To L. Anandarao Esq BA
~~The~~ Secretary to the
Government of Mysore,
~~General and Revenue~~
Muzrai Departments.

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Dated 24 February 1902.
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Enclosures No. 1 Vakil's Report

General No. A

From Vakil's information re the theft of the Kalasa of the Sri Narasimhaswamy Temple at Melkote.

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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER.

MYSORE DISTRICT.

Dated Camp Belakavadi 24th February 1902.

To L. Anantaraman Rao Esqr B.A.,

Deputy

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,

Mysore, ~~General and Revenue~~ Departments.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No 212 of the 6th February 1902 about the theft of the kalasa of the Sri Narasimha-swamy Temple at Melkote, I have the honor to forward the accompanying copy of docket No 557 dated 14th February 1902 received from the Sub-Division officer — French Rocks. A perusal of the accompanying vernacular records received therewith, gives rise to a strong suspicion against Pancharik Shamanna, Shanbhog Lakshminarasimhaiah, and Kalamegam Alasingachar who are said to have been privy to the Commission of the theft in question. The deceased Deputy Amildar Shama Rao suspended them in anticipation of sanction, but they were subsequently released from suspension by the Sub-Division officer, evidently upon insufficient inquiry vide

report of the Station House Officer of Mulchok dated 10th November 1901 implicating the above servants of the temple). No further action appears to have been taken subsequently and the case still remains undetected. I have now directed the Sub Division officer to at once place the 3 temple servants referred to above under suspension and to take the necessary steps for the detection of the case.

I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your most obedient servants.

[signature]

A/g Deputy Commissioner

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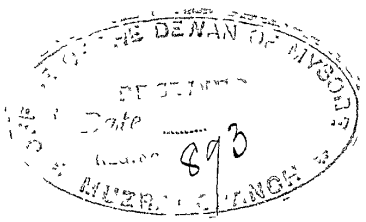

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From

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL
OF POLICE IN MYSORE.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF MYSORE,
GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPTS.

5/6/02

Dated 4
Despatched June 1902
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General No. 5483
No. 380
Enclosure No. 1

Submitted to the Dy Secretary's in Continuation

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5/6/02

Submitting a report in re the theft of the Kalasa of the Sri Nara-Simhaswami temple at Melkota.

OFFICE OF THE

INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE.

No. 5483/380 Dated Bangalore 4th June 1902

Enc. /

From

B. K. Venkatavaradaiengar Esq,

Off g INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE.

To L. Anantasamy Rao Esq, B. A;

Depy SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF MYSORE,

in the Hungry GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.

Sir,

Adverting to Government Proceedings no: 928-9 of the 28th December 1901, and in continuation of my letter letter no: 3878/287 of the 10th February 1902 in re the theft of the Kalasa of the Sri Narasimhaswami temple at Melkote, I beg to submit herewith a copy of the memo of the French Rocks Sub Division officer, received with the Mysore Deputy Commissioner's no: 1092 of the 28th May 1902. It will be seen therefrom that, the theft has not as yet been detected, but that it is believed that some of the temple servants removed the Kalasa not with any dishonest intentions, but with the malicious object of bringing trouble on some of their co-servants inimical to them.—

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Memo.

With reference to the theft of Kalasa from the Malkota temple, I beg to report as follows: —

The theft was reported to the Police on the 3. 8. 01, and the local Daffedar and Inspector Mahomed Ghouse, who was in charge of the Sub-Taluq at the time, took up the investigation of the case But owing to the influential character of the accused, and the unity among them, the Inspector could show no progress in the case. Mr G. Krishnaswami Rao, the then Deputy Amildar, then made a thorough enquiry into the case, and with the influence which he, as Head of the Police, the Revenue and the Munsif, brought to bear on the case, he came to the conclusion that the theft was committed by none but the temple servants, some of whom, on his report, were placed under suspension. —

Subsequent enquiries too, which have been continued with unabated zeal, have established the truth of Mr Krishnaswami Rao's opinion, that the theft was committed by the temple

servants

servants and of sheer ujid against Parpathegar Alasingachar of Melkote. The fact is that the various temple officials and servants having come to entertain ujid against the said Parpathegar, — some on account of the fines and punishments which the Parpa-thegar got inflicted on them, for remissness in their works, and some in connection with the offerings made to the deity, while one Shamanna bore ujid against the Parpathegar regarding the rights of the Paracharaka of the temple etc and one Kallasa gla char for having been deprived of the post of Parpathegar by the incumbent referred to above, as detailed in the Deputy Amildar's re-port No: 78 dated 10.5.02 (herein enclosed for ready reference).— Owing to the ujid, thus entertained, all the temple servants determined to bring discredit on the Parpathegar, and made away with the Kalasa.—

It would appear that Shamanna and Alasingla char, who had long discontinued coming to the Hill temple and who apparently had no work there, were observed going to the temple in the afternoon of the day of occurrence. The Kalasa itself was so situated and its size so large, that it would have been next to impossible for anyone to steal or remove it without the knowledge of the servants who kept-

Kept watch at the temple that night, one of these, who by turns, had to remain at the top of the hill, ringing the bell, as per manual. The inconsistent and contradictory statements that these have made, confirms the belief that they were privy to the theft. To add to all this, there is the trifling value of the article itself, from a commercial point of view, which makes it highly improbable, that any outsider with a view to any real gain, would have committed the offence.—

The Deputy Amildar reports that the investigation has been continuing, and the informations that have been forthcoming connect the temple servants with the theft. A police constable has, accordingly been detailed especially to help the informants in bringing the case to light.—

The delay in the submission of this report has been due, to the non-receipt of the complete records in time, — the final report from the Deputy Amildar having been received on 15. 5. 02, — the matter having been in correspondence between the taluq authorities, this office and the Deputy Commissioner

/sd/ Mr Ezhaiuddin Meecai
For Sub Division Officer
Trench Rocks.

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C/B. 11610 Offg Inspector General of Police

Requests

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To

The Dy Commr

Mysore District.

~~Dated 26th June 1902.~~

P.O. 2100 En 1 & PP Dy 27/6/02
mwz F. 150-92

His letters nos 212
& C.A dated 6th and 24th
February respectively for the
1902,
the Supdt of the Kulasa of
the Sri Narasimhaswami
Temple at Melkota.

With reference to the above
has the honour to request,
that an estimate for
preparing a new Kulasa
to the temple as well as the
cost of fixing it, may be
submitted.

Request

2.

Requests also an early

report regarding the culpability

or otherwise in the matter

of the temple servants

now under suspension.

Encs returned for report & resubmission

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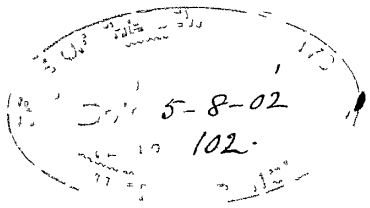
From H. Ramamyengar Esquire
Offg Deputy Commissioner,
Hospet District



To L. Anantaswami Rao Esquire
Deputy Secretary to the Govt of Mysore
Honorary Department

Dated 2nd
Despatched } August-1902
Received

General No. 27
No. 7

Enclosure No. 1

As requested in his docket No. 2100 — dated 27th June 1902, Mung. 150-92 has the honor to forward herewith, for sanction, an estimate for Rs 449/- for preparing and fixing a new Kalasa to the Sri Narasimha-swami temple at Hoelkote. The cost may be met from the sum of Rs 2992-1-5 at the credit of the temple as per Treasury Officer's certificate engrossed on the estimate.

As regards the culpability or otherwise of the temple servants now under suspension, the report called for will be submitted on receipt of a report from the Subdivision Officer Kanchkotta.

For Offg Deputy Commissioner
Hospet District

Further report may be awaited

Ks 20/8/02

Yes 21/8/02

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From

DEPUTY SECRETARY,
GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE,
MUZRAI DEPARTMENT.

To The Dy Comr
Mysore D G

Dated
Despatched 24th December 02.
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General No. 1461
Muzrai F. No. 150-92
Enclosure No. 8.

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In forwarding herewith the marginally noted petitions from the ~~servants of the~~ ~~hereditary trustee~~, Nara Simhaswami temple at Melkote, has the honor to invite the Dy Comr's attention to his Docket No 27 dated 2nd August 1902, stating that the report on the culpability or otherwise of the temple servants now under suspension in regard to the theft of the Kalasa of the temple ~~will~~ be submitted as would

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receipt of the same from the Sub. Division Officer of French Rocks.

2. The petitioners ~~say~~ represent by Complaint that ~~that the enquiry in regard to the Stolen Kalosa is not yet completed and that in the meanwhile they are put to much incon-venience owing to their suspension.~~ they are detained under suspension for unnecessarily a long time without completing the enquiry in regard to the theft—

3. ~~The Dy Comr is requested to have the enquiry Com-pleted and submit the report referred to above at a very early date.~~ The Dy Comr's proposed report should be submitted without further delay

By order

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Dy Secretary
Revenue Dept

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OFFICE OF THE DEWAN OF MYSORE
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MUZRAI BRANCH

30/5/03

మైసూరు సంస్థానద పుట్టూరుము జరాయిఇలాఖా
ష్టిసేక్రటేరియట్ బరవరదుట్టూరు సన్నిధానాన్నే -

మోత్కూటేవానక్షరాదయిం కేళగిరుట్టు హాకల్పట్టిమఠాధిపతిగళు అనే
యుకూర్మకవాని ప్రార్థిసువదూ దోసెందరే —

యిత్తిలనశ్రీంయోగానరసింహస్వామియవరన్నిద్రియుల్లి విమానదకలశవన్ను
దుమోకద్దమేయుల్లి అల్లినళువాబ్దారో నేలొక్కరనాద అబ్బికదబరావవదాకర బాళ్ళవీ
పై అల్లిశింగ్రాజార్సింబువరు కావుకళ్ళవినల్లిద్దోగాద్దకలశవన్నుచన్నానికిళ్ళిదవ
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కిళ్ళిసిద్దల్లదే బాందు నూరురూహాయియన్నుసర్కారదిందకొవృత్తిగదుంకొండుసు
మారుమూరుకింగళ్ళుకలలఅమోబలగన్నుయిట్టుకొండిద్దునంకళవాన్నుకొ
రుక్కారే —

యిం కలశవుళ్ళవాగారువదన్నుంయిం అళశింగ్రాజారు ఆళుసన్నే శిద్దుంయి
కళ్ళవరార్థలిందలూ కళ్ళువిసికావ్వానూళోళార్థవరాద్దరిందలూ ళకుమూలగిసి
రకనికేంయుల్లు యివరదునకడకేయుభన్నానికిళ్ళిబందద్దరిందలూ మకుట్టియువళు
శోల్లకొండిరువకల్యాళోకావల్ కాయుక్తిద్దబోలూరవర్సేశిరమోళకుళగుమ
కుజందలూ-కర్కారదల్లిరురూకూడనూరురూపలయిం యున్నుఉడ్రాన్నుకేగద్దు
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ప్రార్థిసుక్కేవే.

శే. 29. 5. 03.

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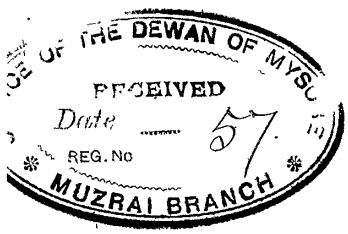

From The Dy Commissioner Mysore District

To The Deputy Secretary, Govt of Mysore, Muzrai Department.

Dated

Despatched 10th July 1903.

Received

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Enclosures No. 1 to 6

Reporting re the theft of Kalasa in the Sri Narasimha Swamy temple at Melkote

Read
13/7/03

I think the rather long period of suspension which they have suffered is a sufficient punishment for their carelessness. I therefore request that Government may be pleased to order their reinstatement.

2 The vernacular papers are herewith submitted

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant
[illegible]
Depy Commissr

MUZRAI SECRETARIAT.

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From

L. ANANTASAMI RAO, Esq., B.A.,
DEPUTY SECRETARY TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE,
MUZRAI DEPARTMENT.

To

The Dy. Commr.
Mysore Dt.

Dated July 1903.
Despatched 5th August 1903.
Received

General No. 380
Muzrai F. No. 150-92

Enclosure No. 1 file.

His letter no. & dated 10th July 1903 reporting on the theft of the Kalasa in the Sri Narasimhaswamy temple at Melkote.

From the Vernacular records received with the above, it is observed that the stolen Kalasa

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was of copper coated with gold and was originally estimated at Rs 15-10-0. This being so, it is not clear why the cost of preparing a new Kalasa and fixing it on the Vimana of the temple is estimated at Rs 449- The Dy Commr is requested to state as to whether a brass Kalasa may not be substituted instead of the copper one coated with gold, and if so, at what cost. It is further requested that information may be kindly furnished as to what amount has been actually saved from their ~~by the suspension~~ pay not to draw ~~of the temple servants who are since recommended for being reinstated~~. A very early reply is requested as to whether any substitutes had been employed in the room of those who were under suspension, and if not-

2 Enclosures for reference & return.

By order

Rs 30/7/03

Dy Secretary Revenue Dept

1/8/03

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No. 556-6.
Mud. F. 150. 92.

D/ 29. 8. 03

Mysore Territorial.

Read:-

Correspondence ending with Letter no 8 dated 10th July 1903, from the Dy Comr Mysore District, reporting on the theft of a Kulasa of the Sri Narasimhaswami Temple at Melkote in the French-Rocks Sub-Taluk.

Order:-

The Kulasa over the Vimana of the Garbhagudi of the Sri Narasimhaswami Temple at Melkote, having been removed by stealth in August 1901, the Govt-pointed out to the Dy Comr

in December 1901 that the perpetration of a daring theft in a municipal institution of great sanctity and public resort and the apparent indifference of the local authorities in the matter, were extremely discreditable to all concerned, and the Inspector General of Police was, at the same time requested to give his personal attention to this matter and to take immediate and active steps for the detection of the crime and for bringing the offenders to justice.

2. Thereupon the late M. Ramanujayyar, the then Office Dy. Comrs. reported that he had placed under suspension the municipal* notified ~~of the~~ ning

(1) Gangi
(2) Krishna
(3) Tangipalu
(4) Arcot Ramaswamy Mudali
(5) Narasimha
(6) Vedapuranyama Ramaswamiyyar
(7) Govindaraju
(8) Shanmuga Lakshmi Narasimhayya
(9) Kulasekhara

~~the~~ temple servants, against whom he had ~~suspected that they had~~ strong suspicions, and that the matter was under investigation. Mr. B. K. Venkataramalingam, the then Inspector General of Police ~~did not take any steps to proceed towards detection of the offenders,~~ after some time and ~~that~~ merely reported that the right hand man had not been detected.

3. In the present communication, the Hon'ble Mr. Kunhiraja has reported, that the most strenuous endeavours were made both by the Police and the Revenue Officers for the detection of the perpetrators were of no avail, and that the Offence had not been brought

house to any of the temple
servants. The Manager recommends
that all the servants - 9
in number - who have been
placed under suspension
by his predecessor nearly two years ago,
be re-instated -

4. With reference to the
above, the Board are surprised
to observe that notwithstanding
the long period taken
by the Revenue and the
Police authorities, they
were not able to detect such
a daring theft as that
of a walking Kalasa from
the top of a temple - But,
having regard to the long
period of suspension under
which the persons noted
above have been placed,
the

the Government are pleased to direct their reinstatement in their offices, with effect from the 1st September 1892.

5. It must however be noticed, that the responsibility of all the temple servants to make good the loss of the Kulus must be enforced, in accordance with the practice of the Mangesi Department, as described in Govt Ro no 51-60 dated Mangesi 26-92 3rd November 1892. On this point, orders will be issued upon receipt of the information called for from the Dy Comrs in this office no 380/150 Mangesi ~~1805~~-92

dated 6th August 19

Dft-

Dy Secretary
Surveyor Dept

23/8/03

To
The Dy Comm's, Engineer &-
The D. S. Clerk.

Noted & the Premises for
approval -

23/8/03

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Clerk of Works

2/9/03

No. 557 Dt. 8.03.
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కలు —

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ఎక్కడ దేవస్థానము

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From H. B. Sparke, Esq
Dy Commissioner
Mysore District

To L. Anantarama Rao Esq B.A
Secretary to Govt
Muzrai Department

Dated
Despatched 20th January 1905
Received.

General No. 235
No.

Enclosure No. Ex 1 plc

Indemnity for executing an estimate for Rs 203-2-0 for fencing a pile copper Karam to the Sri Narasimha swami temple at Melkote.

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Deputy Commissioner's Office
Mysore District
Muzrai Department

Dated Mysore 19th January 1905

To L. Anantasami Rao Esq, BA
Secretary to the Government of Mysore
in the Muzrai Department.

Sir,

Adverting to your docket No. 380. dated Muz 7150 91
5th August 1903 enquiring whether a brass Kalasa may not be substituted in lieu of the one made in gilt copper for the use of Sri Narasimha Swamy temple at Melkote in the French Rocks Mc Taluk, I have the honor to submit herewith the entire file of correspondence ending with the Mysore Taluk Amildar's report No. 43 dated the 15th December 1904, and to state that the Assistant Commissioner in charge of the Taluk reports ~~that~~ it is not proper to fix brass Kalasa and submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 203-2-0 for fixing a copper gilt Kalasa.

I therefore request that Government may be pleased to sanction the estimate, the cost being met from the sum of Rs. 13916-6-3 available at the credit of the temple.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient, servant.

H. H. Spurway
Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District

Abstract of Estimate for [illegible]

Muz.] [illegible]

MGCPB—500—16-7-03

Particulars	Per	Rate	Quantity	Cost
[illegible]	1	22 6 a	5	111 4 a
[illegible]	1	5 4 a	4	21 4 a
				70 a a
[illegible]				203 2 a

Sanctioned for Rs.

No. dated in Govt. Pros

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FROM Sl 14

To The Deputy Commissioner
Mysore Dt.

Dated 10 February 1905

Despatched

Received

General No. 2934

Muzrai F. No.

Enclosure 1 En 1 plan

His Letter no 235 dy
20 January 1905, sub-
-mitting for sanction
an Estimate for Rs 203-2-
for fixing a Kalasa to the
Sri Narasimhaswamy temple
at Melkote

With reference to the above
Deputy Commissioner's
~~attention is drawn to the~~
~~para 5 of Govt Pro. no 555-6~~
Muzrt 150-92
dated 29 August 1903 in re-
-gard to the responsibility
~~of all the temple~~

(1) Bombay no 380 dated 5th August 1904
Muzrt 150-92
(2) Govt of Bombay Pro no 555-6 dated 29th August 1903
Muzrt 150-92

has the honour to
— the
— to the enquiries
Communications
this Office, and
must the

to make good the ~~cost~~ value of the lost Kalasa and he is requested to submit a statement showing the amount to be recovered from each servant the amount being fixed in proportion to their pay & the circumstances.

2. Information called for in this Office Docket No. 380 dated 5th August 1903 as to what amount has been stopped to the temple out of the servants' pay while they were under suspension should also be furnished.

3 On receipt of the information called for above, the question of ~~stopping~~ fixing a new Kalasa will be considered

By Order

Secretary
Mysore Dept

called for has not yet been furnished. What is now required is information as to whether any suitable hand has been employed in the room of those who were under suspension and if not, what amount was actually saved from their pay up to the date of their reinstatement.

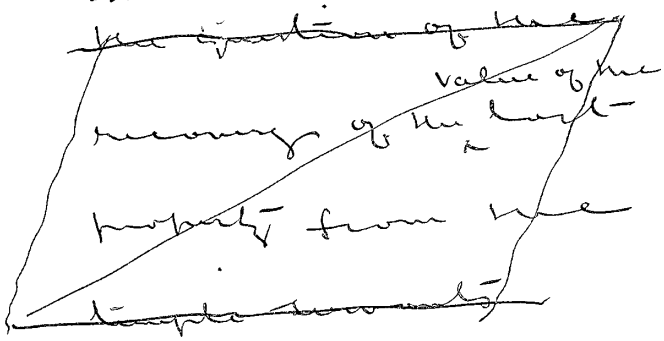
2. As has already been observed in the Govt. order referred to above, the responsibility of all the temple servants to make good the loss of the Kalasa must be enforced [illegible] and orders on this point can be

pursued only after the receipt of the information called for in the above-

3. The question of sanctioning the Estimate for replacing the bark-

Kalorama will be considered upon receipt of a reply to this ~~after the submission of~~ communication.

~~The question of the~~ Value of the necessity of the bark-



~~supply from the temporary~~

The Cases are returned for reference and resubmission.

Keep copy for Statement.

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Secretary

Mayor's Office

DFC-

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From

L. ANANTASAMI RAO, Esq., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
Muzrai Department.

To The Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District.

Dated 10th February 1903.

Despatched

Received

General No. 2534
Muzrai F. No.

Enclosure No. Petn & Bill

His letter No.267 dated 20th January 1903, submitting for sanction an estimate for Rs20-2-0 for fixing a bulas to the Sri Narasimhaswami temple at Melkote.

With reference to the above has the honor to invite the Deputy Commissioner's attention to the marginally noted communications from this Office, and to observe that the information therein called for has not yet been furnished. What is now required is, information as to whether any candidate has been selected in the room of those that were under suspension, and if not, what steps are actually being taken

(1) Endorsement No. 380 dated 5th August 1903. Muz.2 180-92

(2) Para 5 of the Govt Proceedings No. 555—6 dated 29th August 1903 Muz.2 180-92

their [illegible]

2. As has already been observed [illegible] referred to above, the reason [illegible] to make [illegible] orders on [illegible] the information called for by the above

3. [illegible] the last [illegible] this communication.

[illegible] subdivision.

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MUZRAI

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FROM The Secretary,
Muz Dept

To
The Dy Commr
Mysore Dist

Dated 25th Feby. 1905

Despatched

Received

General No. 3238 & 3239
Muzrai F. No. 150-92
Enclosure 1

In contn of this office docket no 2934, Dy 10th Feby. 1905, Calling for some inform on the enforcement of the responsibility of the temple servants to make good the loss of the Kalasa of the Sri Nara Simha Swamy temple at Melkote, has the honor to forward herewith petition dcd no 1439/3023, Dy 28th Jany. 1905, addressed to H.H the Maharaja ~~from~~ by certain residents of Melkote stating that, if the Govt are not inclined to fix a guilded Kalasa to the temple they will raise subscription.

and ~~the~~ Mccb the cost of the gold needed therein and praying that the same may be ordered to be prepared and fixed.

The Dy. Commr is requested to enquire into & submit a report on the ~~allegation~~ subject ~~Contained in the petition~~ together with the information called for in the ~~above~~ communication first to hand.

Chief

Reply
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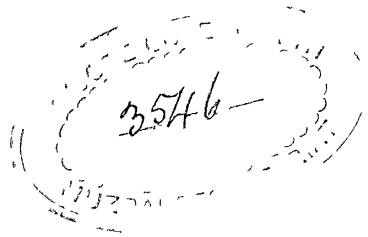

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From

Dated
Despatched
Received

General No 317
No.

Enclosure No. one file

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore Department,
Mysore District,

No 317
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Dated Mysore 23rd March 1905

To

L. Ananthaswami Row Esqr. B.A
Secretary to the Government
of His Highness The Maharaja
of Mysore, Mysore Department,
Bangalore

Sir

In reply to your docket No 2934
dated the 10th January 1905 calling for further particulars in the matter of sanctioning the Estimate for replacing the lost Kalasa of the Sri Narasimha Swami Temple at Melkote, I have the honour to state that the Assistant Commissioner in charge of the Melkote Division reports that as substitutes had been employed in the room of the Temple Servants that were under suspension, there are no arrears of pay at all in their pay.

2 As regards the value of the Kalasa

to

to be made good by all the temple servants, instructions are solicited as to whether the value of the old Kalasa viz Rs 15-10-- referred to in Government order No. 390 Jud 750-7p dated 5th August 1903, or the sum of Rs 203-2-- (Rs 133-2-- being the estimated cost of the new Kalasa and Rs 70/- the cost of the Prathishte) is to be recovered from all the servants including the Peshkar of the temple who is also one of the temple servants.

3 I think that the recovery of the value of the lost Kalasa viz Rs 15-10-- from all the temple servants would be equitable.

4 The file of Vernacular records received with Jud No 1371 dated 2nd March 1905 from the Assistant Commissioner French Rocks Division is herewith retransmitted.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
your most obedient servant.
Lt Col
Deputy Commissioner
Nilgiris district

Commissioner
HC 6/5

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From
H. H. Sparke, Esqr:
Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District.

To
L. Anantasammi Iyengar Esqr:
Secretary to the Govt of H H the
Maharaja of Mysore, Revenue
Deptt, Bangalore.

Dated 23rd March 1905
Despatched
Received
General No. 318
No.

Enclosure No. one

Submits report on the petition read from the residents of Melkote, re the use of the gold needed for the Kalasa of the Sri Narasimhaswami temple at Melkote.

Rupees
Rs
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MYSORE COVERNMENT
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MYSORE GOVERNMENT
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MUSEUM

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Rec'd

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Resident Commissioners
office, Nanjangud District
Dated Nanjangud 23rd
March 1905.

No: 318
Encl: nil

To

L. Anantaswami Rao Esq: B.A.
Secretary to the Government
of His Highness the Maharajah
of Mysore Mungrai Alpankaar,
Bangalore.

Sir,

In continuation of this office
letter No: 317 dated 23rd March 1905
and with reference to your dock-
-et No: 328 of the 25th February
1905 forwarding for report a
petition received from the resi-
dents of Melkote stating that
they would raise subscriptions
to meet the cost of the gold need-
ed for the Kalasa of the Sri
Narasimhaswamy temple at
Melkote, I have the honor to state
that the Assistant Commissioner
in charge of the French Rocks
Division reports that the offer
of the petitioners may be de-
- clined with thanks as an estimate for
a gilded Kalasa is before Government.
2. The enclosure received with the docket-
under reply is therefore returned.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most obedient Servant

Compd
B.A.

ಕಾಲ ಕಳೆಯಲು ಅವಳಿಗೆ ಒಂದು ಉಪಾಯ ಹೊಳೆಯಿತು. ಅವಳು ಅಲ್ಲಿಯ ಮಕ್ಕಳಿಗೆ ಪಾಠ ಹೇಳಿಕೊಡಲು ಪ್ರಾರಂಭಿಸಿದಳು. ಅವಳ ಪಾಠ ಕೇಳಲು ಮಕ್ಕಳು ಬಹಳ ಆಸಕ್ತಿಯಿಂದ ಬರುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಅವಳು ಅವರಿಗೆ ಕಥೆಗಳನ್ನು ಹೇಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದಳು. ಅವಳು ಹೇಳುವ ಕಥೆಗಳು ಬಹಳ ಸ್ವಾರಸ್ಯಕರವಾಗಿರುತ್ತಿದ್ದವು. ಅವಳು ಹೇಳುವ ಕಥೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಅವಳ ಜೀವನದ ಅನುಭವಗಳೇ ಹೆಚ್ಚ

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Read again:—

Govt. Res no 5-5-5-6
Rev Dept 150-92
dated 29th August 1903 ~~1904~~
directing the reinstatement
of 9 of the servants of
the Sri Ramaswamy
temple at Melkote, who
were placed under
suspension in connection
with the theft of Kalasa
in the said temple.

Also Read also—
Correspondence
ending with letter no
318 dated 23rd March
1905, from the Deputy
Commissioner, Mysore
District—

Revenue Secretary

Order Number

No. 1598-90/25.9051

While directing the reinstatement of the 9 persons that were placed under suspension in connection with the theft, three in the Pro-mand above fact-observed that the responsibility of all the temple servants to make good the loss of the Kulasa must be enforced in accordance with the practice of the Surgical Department, as described in Govt Pro No 51-60 dated Surg 4, 26-92 3rd November 1892, and that orders on these

print- would be issued
on receipt- of the information
called for from the Dy
Comrs in the matter of
it- by
* replacing a new Kalasa-
The Dy Comrs proposes
to utilize a dismd
Kalasa of copper, gilt-
partly with gold, which
is already in existence
in the malkota temple,
and substitute it for the lost one,
after repairing it and regilding
the portion which has not-
been already gilt. The
cost- is estimated at-
Rs 203-2-0, including
a sum of Rs 70 for Prathista
and other purposes -

2. Considering that-
this important temple

has

has been without a Kulasa
for some years past,
the Govt. are pleased
to sanction the sub-
-stitution of the new
Kulasa for the last one
Kulasa at an estimated
cost of Rs 203-2-0,
the charge being met
from the funds of the
Sri Narayanaswami
temple at Melkote.

3. As regards the
recovery of the cost
of the lost Kulasa from
the temple servants, the
Dy Comr reports that
it is estimated at
Rs 15-10-0, but the
Govt are of opinion

(6)

that this estimate

cannot be a correct

one, considering that

the Lost Kalusa was

one of copper gilt with

gold. The Dy Commr

is therefore requested to make
further inquiries in regard to its value
~~to estimate that article correctly~~

and report the result to Govt-

ment on or before, together

with a statement of

the amounts to be recovered

from each of the persons

of the Nandimukkam

temple, including the Archaka,

and excluding the 9 persons

who have been placed under

suspension in this connection

(Dewan's order) 22/4/15

Secretary

15/4/05

To

The Dy Comm's response
to returning the
supplemental Estimate
& other Ests

The Comptroller
to proceed with a copy
of the supplemental
Estimate to

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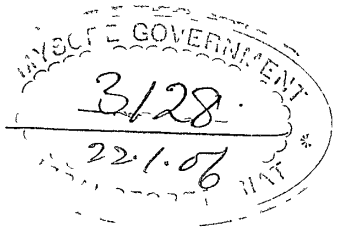

From
N. H. Sparkes Esq
Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District-

To
L. Anantasawmi Rao Esq B.A.
Secy: to Govt Jung: Deptt

Dated 25th January 1906

Despatched

Received

General No. 373
No.

Enclosure No. 1 file

Rupees
Rs
22/1/06

Submits a statement shewing the amounts to be recovered from each of the servants of the Sri Narasimha Swamy temple at Melkote in connection with the Cost-Kalasa

Office of the [illegible] Commissioner
[illegible]

No. 373/ [illegible] 20th January 1906
- file

To

L. Ananthia[illegible]
Secretary
of His Excellency
of Impe[illegible]

[illegible] B. A.
Government
in the Revenue Department
Bangalore.

Sir,

As called for in Government Proceedings No. -98-9 dated 25th September 1905, I have the honor to submit herewith for favour of orders a statement shewing the amounts to be recovered from each of the servants of the Sri Narasimha Swami temple at Melkote, French Rocks Sub Taluk, and to state that the value of the lost Kalasa is estimated at Rs 215-15-4, Rs 15-10-0 being the value of the Copper Kalasa as per Jhadithi Patti and Rs 200-5-4 being the value of gold gilt.

2. The Assistant Commissioner of the French Rocks Division reports that the present Peshkar was not in office when the Kalasa in question was lost and the old Peshkar is reported to have died.

3. The file of papers bearing on the subject and received with the [illegible] Rocks Division

No. 998/574 dated 6th January 1906 accompanies for reference.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedient Servant

Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District

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Dft for approval.

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From SL21

To

The Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District

Dated

Despatched 17.2.06

Received

General No. 3371
No. /

Enclosure No. Nil file.

His letter No. 373, dated 20th January 1906, reporting that the correct valuation of the Kalasa lost in the Sri Yoga Narasimhaswami temple at Melkote is Rs 215.15.4, and submitting a statement of the amounts proposed to be recovered from each of the temple servants to make up for the loss sustained by the temple.

encls. recd with his returning herewith the ~~with reference to the~~ above, has the honor to observe that the old Peshkar who was in the temple at the time the theft took place is dead and that therefore his name has been omitted in the said Statement. But it is not understood why the names of three other temple servants who are also noted to have died, are included in the statement ~~and hence the Deputy Commr proposes to deal in this case~~

2. An early reply is requested.

By Order

12/2/06

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From

Deputy Commissioner in charge of Mysore Affairs.

To

Secy. to the Govt. of India, Foreign Dept.

Dated 29. 8. 06

Despatched 1. 9. 06.

Received

General No. 72

No.

Enclosure No title

MYSORE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT 1275

Ed 3/9/06

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Ds 14/9/06

Submits further report regarding the amounts to be proposed to be recovered from the temple servants in connection with the lost Kalasa of the yoga Narasimha Swami temple at [illegible]

C/c 12/1 file

Office of the Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District.

Dated, Mysore, 29th August 1906.

To.

T. Ananthakrishna Rao Esqr. B.A.
Secy to the Govt. of Mysore
Inam Department.
Bangalore.

Sir,

In reply to your docketed No: 3371 dated the 17th February 1906 calling for a report as to why the names of three other temple servants who are also noted to have died are included in the statement of the amounts proposed to be recovered from each of the temple servants to make up for the loss of the Halesa of the Sri Yoga Narasimha Swami temple at Melkote, I have the honor to state that the Assistant Commissioner Pandavapura Taluqs, in his yadi No: 1611/901 dated the 2nd August 1906 (herewith submitted,) reports that the three temple servants referred to in your docketed under

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Draft as per Or orders.

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Read again

-Govt Pro: No 555 6
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dated 29th August 1903,

directing the re-instatement

~~of~~ of the servants of

the Sri Narasimhaswami

temple at Melkote, who

were placed under suspension

in connection with the theft

of the Kalasa in the said

temple, and observing that

the other servants of the

temple should also be made

to make good the loss in

accordance with the practice

of the Murzai depts

~~Lab~~ Correspondence ending

with letter No. 72, dated 29th

August 1906, from the depty

Commissioner, Mysore District

Order thereon: C.No.3012-30/6 12 A.C.
dated 7/6/12

In the correspondence read above, the Deputy Commissioner reports that the value of the lost Kalasa has been estimated in the Ghadi patte of the Sri Narasimhaswamy temple at Rs 215-15-4 Rs 15-10-0 being the value of the copper Kalasa and Rs 200-5-4 of gold gilt and also submits a statement of the amounts proposed to be recovered from each of the ~~Archakas, Mirasdars and~~ temple servants excluding the servants who had been under the

the 29th August 1903 read above

2. From the statement submitted, it is observed that at the time of the theft of the Kalasa, there were 32 servants on the temple Establishment on pay Rs 52-8-0 in the aggregate, and that, deducting therefrom the pay of the 9 servants who had been already punished by being placed under suspension, there remained only 23 servants on pay Rs 33/-, from whom the sum of Rs 215-15-4, being

the estimated value of

the lost Kalasa is ~~proofs~~

recommended to be recovered

at the uniform rate of

Rs 6-8 8½ for every rupee

of pay of each of the temple

servants concerned.

3. The Deputy Com

missioner ~~recommends~~ now reports that 3 other

~~is sanctioned. As the Peshkar~~

~~and 3 other~~ servants as noted (1) Vedaparayanada Vedantayya on pay Rs 10-8-0

in the margin, are ~~reported~~ (2) Vedaparayanada Kaveri Krishnayya 8-0-0

since (3) Adige Jonnavarapu Surya 1-12-0

~~the~~ dead, the Govt direct

that the amounts due from the deceased Viz Rs 21-4

~~the~~ may be struck off and

of Rs 194 11 0

the balance recovered from

servants

and credited to the funds of the Institution

4. The Deputy Commissioner is requested to report the action taken by him under para 2 of Govt Pro. No. 1598-9, dated 25th September 1905, regarding the substitution of a new Kalasa to the temple

(His order)

26/11/06
Munsar Secretary

To
16/11/06
The Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District
returning enclosures
" Comptroller, Mysore Govt

Statement of the amounts to be recovered from each of the following temple servants.

Name	Designation	Pay	Amount to be recovered
Srinivaraiyya	Parpattegar	2-8-0	16 0-9
Krishniengar	Panchanak	1-12-0	11-7-3
Narasimhachar	Stanik	2-4-0	14-11-7
Krishniengar	Maniya	0-12-0	4-14-7
Srinivasengar	Nityacheluve	1-0-0	6-8-9
Celathanahalli Venkatachar	Vedaparayana	1-4-0	8-2-9
Nadir Narasimhachar	Do	1-8-0	9-13-1
Srinivasayya	Do	0-8-0	3-4-4
~~Ekantayya~~	Do	0-8-0	3-4-4
~~Kaveri Krishnayya~~	~~Do~~	1-0-0	6-8-9
Ranganayakiamma	Do	1-0-0	6-8-9
Perumalachar	Do	3-0-0	19-10-2
Gowri Sampathkumarachar		0-12-0	4-14-6
Savitramma	Do	2-8-0	16-5-9
Seshachar	~~Pulari~~ Sahasranama and tulasi bushing	1-12-0	11-7-3
Srinivasayyangar	Tulasi ~~bushing~~ & Sacred-thread making	2-0-0	13-1-5
Veene Venkatachar	Veene playing	1-4-0	8-2-9
Sampathkumarachar	Purohit	0-12-0	4-14-7
Srinivasengar	Cook	1-8-0	9-13-1
~~Srinivasayyangar~~	~~Do~~	~~1-12-0~~	~~11-7-3~~
Narasimha Jois	Panchanga	0-12-0	4-14-6
~~Alasia~~ Jammakrishnayya	Supplying flowers	1-8-0	9-13-1
	Srinivasali	1-8-0	9-13-1
	~~33~~ 0		215-15-4

Total Rs ~~33~~ 194 11 0